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SECRETARIAT ISSUED REDRAFT OF PROPOSED DECLARATION ON RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON JUNE 15. THIS TEXT TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION THE U.S. COMMENTS, AS WELL AS SOME OF THOSE OF OTHERS REPORTED IN REF (C). TEXT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT:

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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1. MINISTERS OF MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OF THE OECD, MEETING IN PARIS ON 23RD JUNE, 1977, DISCUSSED THEIR RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE LONGERTERM ORIENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION.

- 2. THEY RECALLED THEIR DECLARATION OF 28TH MAY, 1975, ON RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND NOTED THE OUTCOME OF THE CIEC AND THE RESULTS THAT HAVE EMERGED. ALL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OF THE OECD, INCLUDING THOSE WHO DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CIEC, JOINED TOGETHER IN ENDORSING THE AGREEMENTS THAT WERE REACHED THERE. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR SATISFACTION THAT SOME OECD MEMBER GOVERNMENTS IN ADDITION TO THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN THE CONFERENCE HAD DECLARED THEIR INTENTION TO ASSOCIATE THEMSELVES WITH THE SPECIAL ACTION PROGRAMME ANNOUNCED AT THAT CONFERENCE.
- 3. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR FIRM DETERMINATION TO PURSUE THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN APPROPRIATE FORA AND THEIR READINESS TO CO-OPERATE ON ECONOMIC MATTERS.
- 4. AT THE SAME TIME THEY ACKNOWLEDGED THEIR RE-SPONSIBILITY TO WORK WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TOWARDS MORE CONSTRUCTIVE AND EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION POLICIES.
- 5. LOOKING AHEAD, THEY AGREED TO WORK TOGETHER AND WITH NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES FOR AN EQUITABLE AND STABLE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM, ONE WHICH WILL CREATE A BETTER LIFE FOR ALL PEOPLE.
- 6. THEY ALSO CONFIRMED THEIR READINESS TO ENGAGE

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IN MEANINGFUL CO-OPERATION ON ENERGY WITH ALL INTERESTED COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WILLING TO UNDERTAKE SUCH CO-OPERATION, WITH A VIEW TO ENSURING SUSTAINED AND BALANCED ECONOMIC EXPANSION IN THE WORLD.

- 7. THEY RECOGNIZED THAT THE PROPER MANAGEMENT AND GOOD HEALTH OF THEIR ECONOMIES WAS AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION OF WORLD PROSPERITY.
- 8. THEY NOTED THAT DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION CONCERNED RELATIONS BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS BUT THAT ITS OBJECTIVE WAS THE WELL-BEING OF INDIVIDUALS; THEY WERE THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION SHOULD CLEARLY FULFILL THE DUAL PURPOSES OF THE GROWTH OF INCOMES AND OF MEETING BASIC HUMAN NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS IN ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THEY RESOLVE TO ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT BOTH THE TRANSFERS OF RESOURCES TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN RELATIONS BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COUNTRIES AND STRUCTURAL CHANGES WITHIN THESE COUNTRIES SHOULD BE CLEARLY DIRECTED TO THESE PURPOSES. THIS WAS PARTICULARLY NECESSARY IN ORDER THAT THE CBJECTIVES AND POLICY CONCEPTS OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION WOULD BE BETTER UNDERSTOOD AND SUPPORTED BY THE PEOPLES OF INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

9. DONOR COUNTRIES, MEMBERS OF THE OECD, REAFFIRMED THEIR INTENTION TO INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY THE TRANSFER OF RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ANNOUNCED THEIR DETERMINATION TO DIRECT, IN CO-OPERATION WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, A PROGRESSIVELY LARGER SHARE OF THEIR EFFORTS TO PROGRAMMES MEETING BASIC HUMAN NEEDS. FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS NEW ORIENTATION WITH RESPECT TO ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THEY ALSO AGREED TO REVIEW IN THE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE THE SCOPE AND DIRECTION OF OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING GREATER VOLUME IN AN ENLARGED
INTERNATIONAL EFFORT AND MORE EFFICIENCY IN ITS USE.
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